

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kerry Zang, et al.
Serial No.: 10/777,514
Filing Date: February 11, 2004
Confirmation No.: 5263
Group Art Unit: 3738
Examiner: Cheryl L. Miller
Title: **CONICAL, THREADED SUBTALAR IMPLANT**

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Dear Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 12, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences to reconsider the rejections to the claims of the Application.

REMARKS

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decisions of the Examiner mailed June 12, 2007 rejecting the pending claims.

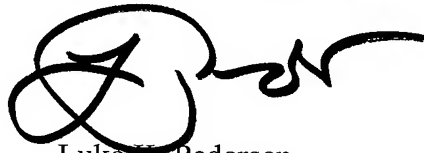
Attached herewith is a Request for Pre-Appeal Brief Review for consideration with this Notice of Appeal.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P. the amount of \$500.00 to satisfy the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present Application may be advanced in any way by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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